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FOL PARIS 16517 SENT ACTION SECSTATE USNATO INFO ANKARA  
ATHENS BONN COPENHAGEN LISBON LONDON LUXEMBOURG OSLO OTTAWA  
REYKJAVIK THE HAGUE MADRID MOSCOW USNMR SHAPE MAY 24, 1978  
REPEATED TO YOU QUOTE

S E C R E T PARIS 16517

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: NATO, PORG

SUBJ: ALLIANCE EAST-WEST STUDY -- STATEMENT

REF: STATE 131755

1. DCM EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF A STRONG, SUB-  
STANTIVE PUBLIC STATEMENT TO MFA SECRETARY GENERAL  
SOUTOU, AND UNDERLINED HIGHEST LEVEL US INTEREST IN THE  
US DRAFT. SOUTOU RESPONDED THAT HE WAS FAMILIAR WITH  
THE ISSUE AND THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED IT WITH FONMIN  
GUIRINGAUD BEFORE THE LATTER'S DEPARTURE TO NEW YORK  
WITH PRESIDENT GISCARD EARLIER TODAY. SOUTOU SAID THAT  
GUIRINGAUD WOULD DISCUSS THE ISSUE WITH US OFFICIALS  
IN WASHINGTON MAY 26. SOUTOU GAVE NO INDICATION

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WHETHER THE FRENCH WOULD BE PREPARED TO CHANGE THEIR  
POSITION.

2. DCM CLOSED BY EMPHASIZING THE URGENCY, AND NOTING  
THAT A POSITIVE RESPONSE BY FRANCE EVEN BEFORE MAY 26  
WOULD BE HELPFUL. HARTMAN UNQUOTE VANCE

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